

Transcription:

Dear Miss Davies!

The "Comité" at Bonn
had Kreutzer Sonata-
te to D'Albert and the grand
Trio in B flat to Reinecke
and in fact had arranged all
the programmes before they
knew that you would come.

I tried ever so hard to master
the difficulties and arrange
matters differently, but it
cannot be done. You can
play the B flat Trio with
Mühlfeld and Hansmann,
and a small sonata :
[musical quotation] etc or Ludwig
if you like. The latter must

be in the programme, being a Bonn
native and not having
had anything to do last time.

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Else I would gladly have played it with you. Now decide! My advice is to say: "that you will come with pleasure and take part in the Clarinet Trio merely to do homage to Beethoven" if you really like to be with us. Some other pianist (probably Manslaert) will play the little G major Sonata. There is no room to add a solo sonata for you, I am sorry to say, the programmes are already more than sufficiently long. The D'Alberts have the lion's share as pianists : two days, but that was already decided

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long ago, and one cannot take away anything from them.

You and Miss Grist would stay with some nice private people and you may be sure that your unselfishness would be highly appreciated by all, not the least by your

sincere friend and
colleague
Joseph

I return to Berlin tomorrow after having seen my daughters at Elberfeld and spent two nice days with my three sons here in their charmingly situated little town near Cassel. Let me know soon what you think about

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Bonn. The best would be to write a line to Herr Wilhelm Kuppe, Beethovenhaus, Bonn, immediately as they must print the programmes soon.